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The Order of Confirmation,

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LAYING ON OF HANDS UPON THOSE THAT ARE BAPTIZED AND COME TO YEARS OF DISCRETION.

The Confirmation Service is used after Morning or Evening Prayer, or on Sunday Mornings, &c., &c., after the Nicene Creed.

The Candidates having been placed in the front seats of the Nave of the Church, the female Candidates on the one side and the male Candidates on the other, or, if this is not convenient, the female Candidates in front and the male Candidates behind them, and all standing, the Bishop begins the Service with an Address.

After the Address the Preface is read by the Bishop's Chaplain.

The Bishop then goes to the Chancel step, and from thence puts the appointed question, and the answer having been given and the suffrages said, he kneels in the same place and says the first Collect.

The Veni Creator is then sometimes sung, the Candidates kneeling. The Bishop then returns to the Holy Table, and the female Candidates of each separate Parish are presented by their Clergy for the laying on of hands; the Clergyman who presents them kneeling in the centre of them. Whilst those who have been confirmed are returning to their seats, and others are coming up to be confirmed, a Voluntary is generally played.

When all the female Candidates are Confirmed, the males are presented in the same order and Confirmed. Then a Hymn may be sung. The Bishop afterwards makes his second Address, returns to the Holy Table and there concludes the Service.

¶ Upon the day appointed, all that are to be then Confirmed, being placed, and standing in order before the Bishop; he (or some other Minister appointed by him) shall read this Preface following:

¶ Before the Chaplain reads the following Preface the Bishop delivers an address.

TO the end that Confirmation may be ministered to the more edifying of such as shall receive it, the Church hath thought good to order, That none hereafter shall be Confirmed, but such as can say the Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments; and can also answer to such other Questions, as in the short Catechism are contained: which order is very convenient to be observed; to the end, that children, being now come to the years of discretion, and having learned what their Godfathers and Godmothers promised for them in Baptism, they may themselves, with their own mouth and consent, openly before the Church, ratify and confirm the same; and also promise, that by the grace of God they will evermore endeavour themselves faithfully to observe such things, as they, by their own confession, have assented unto.

¶ Then shall the Bishop say

DO ye here, in the presence of God, and of this congregation, renew the solemn promise and vow that was made in your name at your Baptism; ratifying and confirming the same in your own persons, and acknowledging yourselves bound to believe, and to do, all those things, which your Godfathers and Godmothers then undertook for you?

¶ And every one shall audibly answer

I do.

The Bishop.

OUR help is in the Name of the Lord;
Answer. Who hath made heaven and earth.
Bishop. Blessed be the Name of the Lord;
Answer. Henceforth, world without end.
Bishop. Lord, hear our prayers.
Answer. And let our cry come unto Thee.

The Bishop. Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, Who hast vouchsafed to regenerate these Thy servants by water and the Holy Ghost, and hast given unto them forgiveness of all their sins; Strengthen them, we beseech Thee, O Lord, with the Holy Ghost the Comforter, and daily increase in them Thy manifold gifts of grace; the spirit of wisdom and under-

standing; the spirit of counsel and ghostly strength, the spirit of knowledge and true godliness; and fill them, O Lord, with the spirit of Thy holy fear, now and for ever. *Amen.*

¶ Then may be sung, the persons to be confirmed all kneeling, Veni Creator Spiritus.

Hymn 114, *Salisbury Hymn Book.* 6 *of* L.M.

(This may be sung to Palestrina, 73, Parish Choir, or to 8, Salisbury Tune Book.)

COME, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire
And lighten with celestial fire:
Thou the anointing Spirit art,
Who dost thy seven-fold gifts impart:
Thy blessed unction from above
Is comfort, life, and fire of love.

Enable with perpetual light
The dulness of our blinded sight;
Anoint and cheer our soiled face
With the abundance of Thy grace:
Keep far our foes, give peace at home,
Where Thou art guide, no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And Thee, of Both, to be but One;
That through the ages all along
This may be our endless song;
Praise to Thine eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

¶ Then all of them in order kneeling before the Bishop, he shall lay his hand upon the head of every one severally, saying:

DEFEND, O Lord, this Thy Child [or *this Thy Servant*] with Thy heavenly grace, that *he* may continue Thine for ever; and daily increase in Thy Holy Spirit more and more, until *he* come unto Thy everlasting kingdom. Amen.

¶ Then may be sung the following Hymn:

Hymn 186, *Salisbury Hymn Book.* L M.

(This may be sung to No. 12 Redhead.)

THE shadow of the Almighty's cloud
Calm on the tents of Israel lay,
While drooping paused twelve banners proud,
Till He arise and lead the way.

Then to the desert breeze unrolled,
  Cheerly the waving pennons fly,
Lion or eagle—each bright fold
  A load-star to a warrior's eye.

So should Thy champions, ere the strife,
  By holy hands o'ershadowed kneel,
So, fearless for their charmed life,
  Bear to the end Thy Spirit's seal.

Steady and pure as stars that beam
  In middle heaven, all mist above,
Seen deepest in the frozen stream;—
  Such is their high courageous love.

And soft as pure, and warm as bright,
  They brood upon life's peaceful hour,
As if the dove that guides their flight
  Shook from her plumes a downy shower.

Spirit of might and sweetness too!
  Now leading on the wars of God,
Now to green isles of shade and dew
  Turning the waste Thy people trod;

Draw, Holy Ghost, Thy sevenfold veil
  Between us and the fires of youth;
Breathe, Holy Ghost, Thy freshening gale,
  Our fever'd brow in age to soothe.

And, oft as sin and sorrow tire,
  The hallowed hour do Thou renew,
When, beckoned up the awful choir
  By pastoral hands, toward Thee we drew;

When trembling at the sacred rail
  We hid our eyes and held our breath,
Felt Thee how strong, our hearts how frail,
  And longed to own Thee to the death.

For ever on our souls be traced
  That blessing dear, that dove-like hand,
A sheltering rock in Memory's waste,
  O'ershadowing all the weary land. Amen.

¶ Then follows an address by the Bishop, the Candidates standing as before:

¶ After the Address the Bishop returns to the Holy Table.

¶ Then shall the Bishop say

The Lord be with you.

Answer. **And with thy spirit.**

¶ And (all kneeling down) the Bishop shall add:

Let us pray.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

And this Collect:

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, Who makest us both to will and to do those things that be good and acceptable unto Thy divine Majesty: We make our humble supplications unto Thee for these thy servants, upon whom (after the example of thy holy Apostles) we have now laid our hands, to certify them (by this sign) of Thy favour and gracious goodness towards them. Let Thy fatherly hand, we beseech Thee, ever be over them; let Thy Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of Thy Word, that in the end they may obtain everlasting life, through our Lord Jesus Christ, Who with Thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. ***Amen.***

O ALMIGHTY Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech Thee, to direct, sanctify, and govern, both our hearts and bodies, in the ways of Thy laws, and in the works of Thy commandments; that, through Thy most mighty protection both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. ***Amen.***

¶ Then the Bishop shall bless them, saying thus:

THE Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. ***Amen.***

¶ And there shall none be admitted to the Holy Communion, until such time as he be confirmed, or be ready and desirous to be confirmed.

¶ The Service being ended, the Clergy bring their Lists of Candidates to the Bishop in the Chancel.

On the day appointed for the Confirmation the following Hymns in the Salisbury Hymn Book may be sung after the third Collect and before the Confirmation Service.

Hymn 119, *Salisbury Hymn Book.* L.M.

(This may be sung to No. 8, Salisbury Tune Book.)

CREATOR Spirit! by Whose aid
The world's foundations first were laid,
Come Thou to bless each lowly mind,
And shed Thy gifts upon mankind.

Thou, Who Thyself didst now confer
The Father's promised Comforter,—
From sin and sorrow set us free,
And make us temples worthy Thee.

Thrice holy Fount, thrice holy Fire,
Our hearts with heavenly love inspire!
Thy sacred unction on us pour,
To hallow those who Thee adore.

Plenteous of grace, descend from high,
Rich in Thy seven-fold energy;
Thou Strength of His Almighty hand,
Whose power does heaven and earth command.

Chase from our minds the inward foe;
And peace, the fruit of love, bestow:
O suffer not our feet to stray,
Uphold and guide us in the way!

Make us eternal truth receive,
And practise all that we believe:
Give us Thyself, that we may see
The Father and the Son by Thee.

Unceasing honour, endless fame,
Attend the Almighty Father's name;
The Saviour Son be glorified,
Who for lost man's redemption died;
And equal adoration be,
Eternal Comforter, to Thee! Amen.

Hymn 120, *Salisbury Hymn Book.* 7s.

(This may be sung to No. 41, Salisbury Tune Book.)

THOU, Who camest from above,
Bringing light, and breathing love,
Teaching us Thy perfect way,
Giving gifts to men to-day;

Thou, Who once didst change our state,
Making us regenerate,—
Help us evermore to be
Loving children unto Thee.

Where Thou art not, none can do
What is holy, just, and true;
Those, whose hearts Thy wisdom leads,
Think good thoughts, and do good deeds.

We have often grieved Thee sore;
May we never grieve Thee more!
Thou the feeble canst protect,
Thou the wandering canst direct.

We are dark—be Thou our light;
We are blind—be Thou our sight;
Be our comfort in distress;
Guide us through life's wilderness.

Praise the blessed Three in One;
Praise the Father and the Son;
To the Holy Ghost arise
Praise from all beneath the skies! Amen.

Hymn 135, *Salisbury Hymn Book.* 7s

(This may be sung to No. 48, Redhead.)

OFT in sorrow, oft in woe,
Onward, Christians, onward go;
Fight the fight, maintain the strife,
Strengthened with the Bread of Life.

Onward, Christians, onward go,
Join the war, and face the foe;
Will ye flee in danger's hour?
Know ye not your Captain's power?

Let not sorrow dim your eye,
Soon shall every tear be dry;
Let not fears your course impede;
Great your strength, if great your need.

Let your drooping hearts be glad;
March, in heavenly armour clad;
Fight, nor think the battle long,
Soon shall victory tune your song.

Onward then in battle move,
More than conquerors ye shall prove;
Though opposed by many a foe,
Christian soldiers, onward go.

Hymns of glory and of praise,
Father, unto Thee we raise;
Praise to Thee, O Christ, our King,
And the Holy Ghost, we sing. Amen.

Hymn 142, *Salisbury Hymn Book.* 8 8 8. 6.

(This may be sung to No. 3, Salisbury Tune Book.)

O HOLY Saviour, Friend unseen,
Since on Thine arm Thou bidd'st us lean,
Help us throughout life's changing scene
By faith to cling to Thee!

Blessed with this fellowship divine,
Take what Thou wilt, we'll not repine;
For, as the branches to the vine,
We only cling to Thee!

Though far from home, fatigued, opprest,
Here we have found a place of rest;
As exiles still, yet not unblest,
Because we cling to Thee!

What though the world deceitful prove,
And earthly friends and hopes remove;
With patient uncomplaining love
Still can we cling to Thee!

Though oft we seem to tread alone
Life's dreary waste with thorns o'ergrown,
Thy voice of love in gentlest tone
Still whispers, cling to Me.

Blest is our lot, whate'er befall,
Whom none can sever, none appal;
Since, as our strength, our rock, our all,
Jesu, we cling to Thee!

Eternal Father of the Word,
Eternal Son, by all adored,
Eternal Spirit, God and Lord,
We praise Thee evermore. Amen.

Hymn 145, *Salisbury Hymn Book.* L.M.

(This may be sung to No. 3, Salisbury Tune Book.)

TAKE up thy cross, the Saviour said,
If thou would'st My disciple be;
Deny thyself, the world forsake,
And humbly follow after Me.

Take up thy cross; let not its weight
Fill thy weak spirit with alarm:
His strength shall bear thy spirit up,
And brace thy heart, and nerve thine arm.

Take up thy cross, nor heed the shame;
Nor let thy foolish pride rebel:
Thy Lord for thee the Cross endured,
To save thy soul from death and hell.

Take up thy cross in His great strength,
And calmly every danger brave;
'Twill guide thee to a better home,
And lead to victory o'er the grave.

Take up thy cross, and follow Me,
Nor think till death to lay it down;
For only he, who bears the cross,
May hope to wear the glorious crown.

To Thee, great Lord, the One in Three,
All praise for evermore ascend;
O grant us in our home to see
The heavenly life that knows no end. Amen.

Hymn 147, *Salisbury Hymn Book.* 7s.

(This may be sung to No. 38, Salisbury Tune Book.)

CHILDREN of the heavenly King,
As ye journey, sweetly sing;
Sing your Saviour's worthy praise,
Glorious in His works and ways.

Ye are travelling home to God,
In the path the fathers trod;
They are with Him now, and ye
Soon with Him and them may be.

They, the ransomed flock and blest,
Now on Abraham's bosom rest;
Ye, if well ye run the race,
In their joys shall find a place.

Fear not, brethren! joyful stand
On the borders of your land:
Jesus Christ, God's only Son,
Bids you undismayed go on.

Lord, obedient we would go,
Leaving all we love below;
Only Thou our Leader be!
Gladly we will follow Thee.

Sing we to our God above
Praise, eternal as His love;
Praise Him, all ye heavenly host,
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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¶ All things being disposed in order, the Bishop or Officiating Minister shall say:

BRETHREN, beloved in the Lord, we are gathered together here to lay the foundation stone of a House of God for the reading and preaching of God's Holy Word, for celebrating His Holy Sacraments, for offering to His Glorious Majesty the sacrifices of prayer and thanksgiving, for blessing His people in His Name, and for the performance of all other holy ordinances. And now let us first praise Him for His mercy and goodness in having so far prospered this our undertaking, and let us further devoutly pray Him that of His good providence He will remove all lets and hindrances from the completion of this work, that in due season this house may be meet to be separated for ever from all profane and common uses, and set apart, and consecrated for the ministration of all the offices of our holy religion to this, and all future generations. And let us also pray Him that He will guard and defend those employed on this building from all evil that may assault either body or soul; and that through no profaneness they may bring loss upon themselves and dishonour upon their God. And for those who have given, or shall hereafter give of their substance for the furtherance of this good work, let us beseech Him, that He will bless them in their families, and all that is theirs; and finally let us ask Him that of His mercy and goodness He will dispose all those who shall enjoy the benefit of this pious work to make a right use of it, that so by their worship and service here on earth they may be trained under the Holy Spirit for the worship and service of the kingdom of glory. And let all this be done by us in the name and through the mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord.

¶ And after that, these Prayers following, all devoutly kneeling, the Bishop, or Officiating Minister first pronouncing:

V. The Lord be with you;
R. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

O ALMIGHTY and Merciful God, Who hast given such Grace to Thy Holy Church, that whatsoever her Ministers duly, and according to Thy will do on earth, is accounted to be done of Thee, grant, we humbly beseech Thee, Thy blessing upon these our Ministrations, that what we ask may be granted by Thee,—what we now offer, may be accepted of Thee,—and what we bless may be blessed by Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

O LORD God, Whom the Heaven, and Heaven of Heavens cannot contain, and yet art pleased to have Thy habitation here upon earth, have respect, we humbly pray Thee, unto the prayers of us Thy servants, and visit this place with Thy heavenly Benediction, that being purified by Thy Grace from everything which defileth, it may become holy unto Thee, and meet to receive the foundation of a dwelling-place for Thy most blessed Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

ALMIGHTY God, Who didst suffer Solomon to build Thy Temple, and so didst grant to David his father, the fulfilment of that which had been in his heart to do; we thank Thee for having put into our hearts a like good desire, and we beseech Thee that in due season Thou wilt bring the same to good effect, to the promotion of Thy Glory, the furtherance of true Religion, and the edification of Thy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

¶ Then the Bishop, or the Officiating Minister, laying his hand upon the Foundation Stone, shall say:

Let us pray:

O LORD Jesu Christ, Son of the living God, Who art the true and Almighty God, the Brightness and Image of the Eternal Father, and the Life Everlasting; Who art also the Chief Corner Stone, hewn from the Mountain without hands, and the immutable Foundation; strengthen, we pray Thee, this stone now about to be laid in Thy Name; and as Thou art the Beginning, and the End, and by Thee all things were made, be Thou, we beseech Thee, the Beginning, and the Increase, and the Consummation of this work, which we take in hand for Thy Praise, and Honour, and Glory, Who with the Father and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest one God, world without end. ***Amen.***

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings, with Thy most gracious favour, and further us with Thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in Thee, we may glorify Thy holy Name, and finally by Thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

¶ Here all standing up, the Bishop, or the Officiating Minister, shall read the Lesson, first saying:

V. Except the Lord Build the House:
R. Their labour is but lost who build it.
V. Our Help is in the Name of the Lord
R. Who hath made heaven and earth.
V. Blessed be the Name of the Lord
R. From this time forth for evermore.
V. The Stone which the Builders rejected
R. Is become the head-stone of the Corner.
V. This is the Lord's doing
R. And it is marvellous in our eyes.

1 *Chron.* xxix. 10 *to* 20.

WHEREFORE David blessed the Lord before all the congregation: and David said, Blessed be Thou, Lord God of Israel our Father, for ever and ever.

Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all that is in

the heaven and in the earth is Thine; Thine is the kingdom, O Lord, and Thou art exalted as head above all.

Both riches and honour come of Thee, and Thou reignest over all; and in Thine hand is power and might; and in Thine hand it is to make great, and to give strength unto all.

Now therefore, our God, we thank Thee, and praise Thy glorious name.

But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able to offer so willingly after this sort? for all things come of Thee, and of Thine own have we given Thee.

For we are strangers before Thee, and sojourners, as were all our fathers: our days on the earth are as a shadow, and there is none abiding.

O Lord our God, all this store that we have prepared to build Thee an house for Thine holy name cometh of Thine hand, and is all Thine own.

I know also, my God, that Thou triest the heart, and hast pleasure in uprightness. As for me, in the uprightness of mine heart I have willingly offered all these things: and now I have seen with joy Thy people, which are present here, to offer willingly unto Thee.

O Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, our fathers, keep this for ever in the imagination of the thoughts of the heart of Thy people, and prepare their heart unto Thee:

And give unto Solomon my son a perfect heart, to keep Thy commandments, Thy testimonies, and Thy statutes, and to do all these things, and to build the palace, for the which I have made provision.

And David said to all the congregation, Now bless the Lord your God. And all the congregation blessed the Lord God of their fathers, and bowed down their heads, and worshipped the Lord, and the king.

¶ Then shall be said or sung the following Psalm.

Psalm lxxxiv. *Quam dilecta tabernacula!*

O HOW amiable are Thy dwellings: Thou Lord of Hosts. My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord: my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young: even Thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house; they will be alway praising Thee.

Blessed is the man whose strength is in Thee: in whose heart are Thy ways.

Who going through the vale of misery use it for a well: and the pools are filled with water.

They will go from strength to strength: and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Sion.

O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer: hearken, O God of Jacob.

Behold, O God our defender: and look upon the face of Thine Anointed.

For one day in Thy courts: is better than a thousand.

I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God: than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness.

For the Lord God is a light and defence: and the Lord will give grace and worship, and no good thing shall he withhold from them that live a godly life.

O Lord God of hosts: blessed is the man that putteth his trust in Thee.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son; and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

¶ Then the Lime being prepared, and all things ready, the Person appointed to lay the first stone shall assist the Architect and Builder in placing it, saying:

IN the faith of Jesus Christ we place this foundation stone, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ Then shall the Bishop or the Officiating Minister say:

MAY true faith, and the fear of God, and brotherly love ever abide and flourish here; and may this place be dedicated to prayer and the invocation and praise of the Name of the same our Lord Jesus Christ, Who with the Father and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ After which shall be said or sung the following Psalm:

Psalm cxxii. *Lætatus sum.*

I WAS glad when they said unto me: We will go into the house of the Lord.

Our feet shall stand in thy gates: O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem is built as a city: that is at unity with itself.

For thither the tribes go up, even the tribes of the Lord: to testify unto Israel, to give thanks unto the Name of the Lord.

For there is the seat of judgment: even the seat of the house of David.

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee.

Peace be within thy walls: and plenteousness within thy palaces.

For my brethren and companions' sakes: I will wish thee prosperity.

Yea, because of the house of the Lord our God: I will seek to do thee good.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

¶ And after that, these Prayers following, all devoutly kneeling

Let us pray:

O GOD, Who of Thy saints dwelling and knit together in unity framest an eternal habitation for Thy Glorious Majesty, grant to this house the fulness of Thy grace, that the work begun in obedience to Thy will may of Thy bountiful goodness be brought to a perfect end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and Everlasting God, by Whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified; Receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before Thee for all estates of men in Thy Holy Church, that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly and godly serve Thee; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

And more particularly we pray—

FOR all Thy Clergy, whether Bishops, Priests, or Deacons [*and especially for the Bishop of this Diocese,*

and &c.], that they may be found waiting on their ministry, and by their life and doctrine may set forth Thy glory, and the salvation of those committed to their charge. *Amen.*

FOR those who have given of their substance for this good work, that Thou wouldest in Thy great mercy think upon them according to all that they have done, and prosper all their service, to the glory of Thy Holy Name. *Amen.*

FOR those who shall be employed upon this building, that they may not offend against Thee in thought, word, or deed, but being guarded from all evil may so daily learn of Thy Holy Spirit to serve Thee with pure minds and hearts, that they may themselves grow up into a holy temple in the Lord, to Thy honour and glory. *Amen.*

AND to this congregation, and to all others who rejoice in the foundation of this Thy house, and who remember it in their prayers, vouchsafe of Thy mercy growth and perseverance in faith, hope, and charity, a holy life, a peaceful death, rest in Paradise, a merciful judgment, and the vision of Thy countenance in Thy perfect glory; for the love of Thy dear Son our Saviour, to Whom, with Thee, and the Holy Ghost, be all praise and thanksgiving, now and ever. *Amen.*

Then may be sung:

Hymn 192, *Salisbury Hymn Book.* 6 of 8 7.

(This may be sung either to "Angulare Fundamentum" Novello, or to "Tantum Ergo," 80, Redhead.)

CHRIST is laid the sure foundation,
And the precious Corner-stone,
Who, the two walls underlying,
Bound in each, binds both in one.
Holy Sion, pledged unto Him,
Stands by faith in Him alone.

All that dedicated city,
Dearly loved of God on high,
Full of tuneful praise and gladness,
Jubilant with melody,
To the assenting heaven proclaimeth
God the One in Trinity.

In this temple, Lord most mighty,
  Won by prayer do Thou draw near;
In Thy loving mercy bending
  To each heart's deep vows and dear:
Thine own lavish benediction
  Night and day pour on us here.

May we all here earn Thy favour,
  What we ask of Thee to gain;
And, when gained, with saints in glory
  Ever ever to retain;
And, to Paradise translated,
  There in perfect rest remain.

Glory to our God, and honour;
  Highest He above all height:
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
  One in praise, and One in might;
Might and praise enduring ever
  In the changeless worlds of light. Amen.

Or,

Hymn 168, *Salisbury Hymn Book.* 6 of 8.

(This may be sung to "Vienna," Parochial Psalmist, Brown and Co.)

LIGHT'S abode, thou heavenly Salem,
  Vision dear, whence peace doth spring;
Brighter than man's heart conceiveth,
  Mansion of the Most High King;
O how wondrous are the praises
  Which of thee the prophets sing!

Reared with precious stones, like crystal,
  Thou in beauty dost abide;
Thou with gems of unknown lustre
  Shinest as the Royal Bride;
Each one pearl, thy twelve gates glisten;
  All thy street pure gold and tried.

There for ever and for ever
  Alleluia is out-poured;
For unending and unbroken
  Is the feast-day of the Lord.
All is pure, and all is holy,
  That within thy walls is stored.

There no cloud may dim the Vision,
  The bright Vision, all shall share;
Endless noonday, glorious noonday,
  From the Sun of suns is there:
There no night brings rest from labour,
  For unknown are toil and care.

O how glorious and resplendent,
  Weak frail body, shalt thou be,
When, endued with Christ's own beauty,
  Glorified and changed as He,
Clothed upon with God's true image,
  Thou shalt live eternally!

Glory to our God, and honour;
  Highest He above all height:
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
  One in praise, and One in might;
Might and praise enduring ever
  In the changeless realms of light. Amen.

¶ Then the Bishop, or the Officiating Minister, may address the Congregation, and shall then let them depart with this blessing:

THE blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

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PREPARATIONS

IN ORDER TO

The Consecrating of a Church

[AND BURIAL GROUND].

¶ The Church is to be furnished with a Font and Cover, Pulpit, Prayer Desk, Communion Table, Hassocks or Kneeling Mats, Bier or Trestles, one or more Bells, the Ten Commandments, one large Bible, one Book of Common Prayer for the Prayer Desk, and another containing "the Order of Holy Communion" for the Communion Table, a Book of Offices, Register Books, with Iron Chest for keeping the Registers, a Flagon, Chalice, Paten, and Vessel for the Offertory, a Covering for the Communion Table, Linen Cloth and Napkins for the same, and Surplices.

¶ The Burial Ground is to be properly enclosed, fenced, and completed with Gates and Churchways.

¶ The Deed of Conveyance or Donation of the Ground, the Endowments and the Evidences thereof, the Nomination of the Minister, and such other Documents as shall in any case be requisite, are to be laid before the Bishop or his Chancellor some time before the day proposed for the Consecration of the Church, in order to the preparing of the Act or Sentence of the Consecration against that day.

¶ Notice of the Bishop's intention to consecrate the Church [and Burial Ground], with the day and hour appointed, is to be fixed on the Church door at least three days beforehand.

¶ If the Building is to be consecrated as a Chapel, in which some sacramental or religious Rites may not be solemnised, the same directions are to be observed, except with regard to a Font, Bier, Register Books, and other articles not required for the service in the Chapel.

¶ Chairs are to be set on the north side of the Communion Table for the Bishop, on the south side for the Chaplains, and one conveniently near the Bishop's chair, but without the rails, for the Chancellor.

¶ The Communion Vessels are to be brought to the Bishop to be humbly presented and placed by him upon the Holy Table when the alms and other donations of the people have been brought to him.

THE FORM

OF

Consecration of a Church

[AND BURIAL GROUND].

¶ The Bishop, attended by his Chaplains, shall be received at the West Door, or at some other entrance to the Church or Churchyard, by the Minister and Clergy in their Surplices, the Churchwardens, and some of the principal Inhabitants. Here a Petition, signed by the Incumbent and Churchwardens, Patron, Trustees, or others, as the case may require, shall be delivered to the Bishop by the Minister or some one of the Persons who receive him, praying that he will consecrate the Church [and the Burial Ground thereto belonging].

The Bishop shall receive the Petition, and shall signify his consent to consecrate the Church [and Burial Ground] according to the Prayer therein contained.

¶ Then shall follow the Ceremony of Consecration and Dedication, after the following form.

The Bishop and the Clergy, and others attending upon him, shall proceed up the chief Aisle to the Communion Table, saying or singing the 24th Psalm.

Psalm xxiv.

THE earth is the Lord's and all that therein is: the compass of the world, and they that dwell therein.

2. *For he hath founded it upon the seas: and prepared it upon the floods.*

3. Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord: or who shall rise up in his holy place?

4. *Even he that hath clean hands and a pure heart: and that hath not lift up his mind unto vanity, nor sworn to deceive his neighbour.*

5. He shall receive the blessing from the Lord: and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

6. *This is the generation of them that seek him: even of them that seek thy face, O Jacob.*

7. Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors: and the King of Glory shall come in.

8. *Who is the King of Glory: it is the Lord, strong and mighty, even the Lord, mighty in battle.*

9. Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors: and the King of Glory shall come in.

10. *Who is the King of Glory: even the Lord of Hosts, He is the King of Glory.*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

¶ The Bishop, sitting in his Chair on the North side of the Holy Table, is to have the Instrument or Instruments of Conveyance, Donation, or Endowment (if any) presented to him by the Founder, or some proper Substitute, which he shall lay upon the Communion Table; and then, standing up and turning to the Congregation, he shall say:

DEARLY beloved in the Lord: forasmuch as devout and holy men, as well under the Law as under the Gopsel, moved either by the secret inspiration of the Blessed Spirit, or by the express command of God, or by their own reason and sense of the natural decency of things, have erected Houses for the Public Worship of God, and separated them from all profane and common uses, in order to fill men's minds with greater reverence for His Glorious Majesty, and affect their hearts with more devotion and humility in His service; which pious works have been approved of and graciously accepted by our Heavenly Father: Let us not doubt but that He will also favourably approve our godly purpose, of setting apart this place in solemn manner, for the performance of the several Offices of religious Worship, and let us faithfully and devoutly beg His blessing on this our undertaking, and say,

¶ Then, all kneeling, the Bishop shall say the following Prayer.

O ETERNAL GOD, mighty in power, and of majesty incomprehensible, Whom the Heaven of Heavens cannot contain, much less the walls of Temples made with hands, and Who yet hast been graciously pleased to promise Thy especial Presence in whatever place even two or three of Thy faithful servants shall assemble in Thy Name, to offer up their praises and supplications unto Thee; vouchsafe, O Lord, to be present with us, who are here gathered together, with all humility and readiness of heart, to consecrate this place to the honour of Thy great Name; separating it from henceforth from all unhallowed, ordinary,

and common uses, and dedicating it to Thy service, for reading Thy holy Word, for celebrating Thy holy Sacraments, for offering to Thy Glorious Majesty the sacrifices of Prayer and Thanksgiving, for blessing Thy people in Thy Name, and for the performance of all other holy Ordinances. Accept, O Lord, this service at our hands, and bless it with such success, as may tend most to Thy glory, and the salvation of Thy people, through Jesus Christ, our blessed Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

If it is a Chapel in which some sacramental or religious rites may not be solemnized, the Sentences and Prayers applicable to those rites are to be omitted.

¶ After this, the Bishop shall stand up, and, turning his face towards the Congregation, shall say:

REGARD, O Lord, the supplications of Thy servants; and grant, that whosoever shall be dedicated to Thee in this House by Baptism, may be sanctified with the Holy Ghost, delivered from Thy wrath and eternal death, and, being made a living member of Christ's Church, may ever remain in the number of Thy faithful and elect children. *Amen.*

GRANT, O Lord, that they who in this place shall in their own persons renew the promises and vows made for them by their Sureties at their Baptism, and thereupon be Confirmed by the Bishop, may continue Thine for ever, and daily increase in Thy Holy Spirit more and more, until they come to Thy everlasting kingdom. *Amen.*

GRANT, O Lord, that they who shall receive in this place the blessed Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ, may come to that holy Ordinance, with faith, charity, and true repentance; and, being fulfilled with Thy grace and heavenly benediction, may, to their great and endless comfort. obtain remission of their sins, and all other benefits of His Passion. *Amen.*

GRANT, O Lord, that by Thy holy Word which shall be read and preached in this place, the hearers thereof may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same. *Amen.*

GRANT, O Lord, that they who shall be joined together in this place in the holy Estate of Matrimony, may faithfully perform and keep the vow and covenant betwixt

them made, and remain in perfect love and peace together unto their lives' end. *Amen.*

GRANT that those Thy servants that shall come into this Thy Holy Temple, may themselves be made the Temples of the Holy Ghost, eschewing all things contrary to their profession, and following all such things as are agreeable to the same. *Amen.*

GRANT that all wandering thoughts, all carnal and worldly imaginations may be far from them; and all godly and spiritual meditations may come in their place, and daily be renewed and grow in them. *Amen.*

GRANT, when they pray, that their prayers may ascend up into Thy presence, as the incense; and the lifting up of their hands be as the morning sacrifice. Purify their hearts, sanctify their spirits, and fulfil all their minds, that what they faithfully ask they may effectually obtain. *Amen.*

GRANT, when they offer, that their Oblations and Alms may come up as a memorial before Thee; and they may find and feel that with such sacrifices Thou art well pleased. *Amen.*

WHEN they sing, that their souls may be satisfied as with marrow and fatness, when their mouth praiseth Thee, with joyful lips. *Amen.*

WHEN they hear, that they hear not as the word of man, but as indeed it is, the Word of God; and not be idle hearers, but doers of the same, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

NOW unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be honour, and glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

¶ Then the Bishop sitting in his Chair, the Sentence of Consecration shall be read by the Chancellor, and signed by the Bishop, and by him ordered to be enrolled, and preserved among the Muniments in the Registry.

¶ After this, the Minister officiating shall say the Service for the Day, except where it it is otherwise directed.

PROPER PSALMS, lxxxiv., cxxii., cxxxii.

FIRST LESSON, 1 Kings viii. 22 to 62.

SECOND LESSON, Hebrews x. 19 to 26.

¶ After the Collect for the Day, the Bishop shall say the following Prayer:

O MOST blessed Saviour, who, by Thy gracious presence at the Feast of Dedication, didst approve and honour such religious Services as this which we are now performing unto Thee, be present with us also at this time by Thy Holy Spirit; and because holiness becometh Thine House for ever, sanctify us, we pray Thee, that we may be living temples, holy and acceptable unto Thee; and so dwell in our hearts by faith, and possess our souls by Thy grace, that nothing which defileth may enter into us, but that, being cleansed from all carnal and corrupt affections, we may ever be devoutly given to serve Thee in all good works, Who art our Saviour, Lord, and God, blessed for evermore. ***Amen.***

¶ Then the Minister shall proceed with the Morning Prayer, but immediately before the Prayer of S. Chrysostom, the Bishop shall say the following Prayer:

BLESSED be Thy Name, O Lord, that it hath pleased Thee to put into the *hearts* of thy *servants* to erect this House to Thy honour and worship. Bless, O Lord, *them, their* families, and substance, and accept the works of *their* hand; remember *them* concerning this; wipe not out this kindness that *they have* shewed for the House of *their* God, and the Offices thereof; and grant that all, who shall enjoy the benefit of this pious work, may shew forth their thankfulness by making a right use of it, to the glory of Thy blessed Name, through Jesus Christ Our Lord. ***Amen.***

¶ Then the Minister shall say the Prayer of St. Chrysostom and the Grace.

Communion Service.

¶ The Bishop, standing at the North side of the Communion Table, shall say the Order of Holy Communion.

¶ After the Collect for the Queen, instead of the Collect of the day, he shall say the following Prayer:

O MOST Glorious Lord God, we acknowledge that we are not worthy to offer unto Thee any thing belonging to us; yet we beseech Thee, of Thy great goodness, graciously to accept the dedication of this place to Thy service, and

to prosper this our undertaking; Receive the prayers and intercessions of us, and all others Thy servants, who, either now, or hereafter, entering into this House, shall call upon Thee; and give both them and us grace to prepare our hearts to serve Thee with reverence and godly fear: Affect us with an awful apprehension of Thy Divine Majesty, and a deep sense of our own unworthiness; that so, approaching Thy sanctuary with lowliness and devotion, and coming before Thee with clean thoughts and pure hearts, with bodies undefiled and minds sanctified, we may always perform a service acceptable to Thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ The two Chaplains shall read, one the Epistle, and the other the Gospel.

The Epistle. 2 Corinthians vi. 14—17.

BE ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? And what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? Or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

The Gospel. John ii. 13—18.

AND the Jews' passover was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and found in the temple those that sold oxen, and sheep, and doves, and the changers of money sitting. And when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen, and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables; and said unto them that sold doves, Take these things hence; make not my Father's House an house of merchandize. And his disciples remembered that it was written, The zeal of thine House hath eaten me up.

¶ Then the Bishop shall say the Nicene Creed.

The Sermon.

¶ The Sermon being ended, the Offertory Sentences shall be said, during which the Deacons, Churchwardens, or other fit persons appointed for that purpose, shall receive the offerings of the People, and reverently bring them to the Bishop, who shall humbly present and place them on the Holy Table.

¶ Then shall the Bishop place upon the Table so much bread and wine as he shall think sufficient.

¶ After which done, the Bishop shall say the prayer for the Church Militant, and the two following prayers:

BLESSED be Thy Name, O Lord God, for that it pleaseth Thee to have Thy habitation among the sons of men, and to dwell in the midst of the assembly of the Saints upon earth; bless, we beseech Thee, the religious Offices of this day; and grant that in this place, now set apart for Thy service, Thy Holy Name may be worshipped in truth and purity to all generations, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, Who hast promised to hear the petitions of them that ask in Thy Son's Name, we beseech Thee mercifully to incline Thine ears to us that have made now our prayers and supplications unto Thee, and grant that those things which we have faithfully asked according to Thy will, may effectually be obtained to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of Thy glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ Then there shall be a pause, during which any, who will, may withdraw; after which shall continue the Order of Holy Communion.

Consecration of a Churchyard.

¶ When the Service in the Church is ended, the Bishop and Clergy, with the people, shall repair to the Ground, which is to be consecrated, and proceed round the Ground, saying or singing one or both of the following Psalms:

Psalm xlix.

O HEAR ye this, all ye people: ponder it with your ears all ye that dwell in the world;

2. *High and low, rich and poor: one with another.*

3. My mouth shall speak of wisdom: and my heart shall muse of understanding.

4. *I will incline mine ear to the parable: and shew my dark speech upon the harp.*

5. Wherefore should I fear in the days of wickedness: and when the wickedness of my heels compasseth me round about?

6. *There be some that put their trust in their goods: and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches.*

7. But no man may deliver his brother: nor make agreement unto God for him.

8. *For it cost more to redeem their souls: so that he must let that alone for ever.*

9. Yea, though he live long: and see not the grave.

10. *For he seeth that wise men also die and perish together: as well as the ignorant and foolish, and leave their riches for other.*

11. And yet they think that their houses shall continue for ever: and that their dwelling places shall endure from one generation to another; and call the lands after their own names.

12. *Nevertheless, man will not abide in honour: seeing he may be compared unto the beasts that perish; this is the way of them.*

13. This is their foolishness: and their posterity praise their saying.

14. *They lie in hell like sheep, death gnaweth upon them, and the righteous shall have domination over them in the morning: their beauty shall consume in the sepulchre out of their dwelling.*

15. But God hath delivered my soul from the place of hell: for he shall receive me.

16. *Be not thou afraid, though one be made rich: or if the glory of his house be increased;*

17. For he shall carry nothing away with him when he dieth: neither shall his pomp follow him.

18. *For while he lived, he counted himself an happy man: and so long as thou doest well unto thyself, men will speak good of thee.*

19. He shall follow the generation of his fathers: and shall never see light.

20. *Man being in honour hath no understanding: but is compared unto the beasts that perish.*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Psalm CXV.

NOT unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy Name give the praise: for thy loving mercy and for thy truth's sake.

2. *Wherefore shall the heathen say: Where is now their God?*

3. As for our God he is in heaveu: he hath done whatsoever pleased him.

4. *Their idols are silver and gold: even the work of men's hands.*

5. They have mouths, and speak not: eyes have they, and see not.

6. *They have ears and hear not: noses have they, and smell not.*

7. They have hands, and handle not; feet have they, and walk not; neither speak they through their throat.

8. *They that make them are like unto them; and so are all such as put their trust in them.*

9. But thou, house of Israel, trust thou in the Lord: he is their succour and defence.

10. *Ye house of Aaron, put your trust in the Lord: he is their helper and defender.*

11. Ye that fear the Lord, put your trust in the Lord: he is their helper and defender.

12. *The Lord hath been mindful of us, and he shall bless us: even he shall bless the house of Israel, he shall bless the house of Aaron.*

13. He shall bless them that fear the Lord: both small and great.

14. *The Lord shall increase you more and more: you and your children.*

15. Ye are the blessed of the Lord: who made heaven and earth.

16. *All the whole heavens are the Lord's: the earth hath he given to the children of men.*

17. The dead praise not thee, O Lord: neither all they that go down into silence.

18. *But we will praise the Lord: from this time forth for evermore. Praise the Lord.*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

¶ Or,

Standing in some convenient place, the Bishop shall say:

THE Glorious Majesty of the Lord our God be upon us. Prosper Thou the work of our hands upon us, O prosper Thou our handy work.

¶ After which, the Sentence of Consecration (unless included in the Sentence of Consecration of the Church) shall be read by the Chancellor, and signed by the Bishop; and a Psalm or Hymn may be sung.

¶ Which ended, the Bishop shall say:

O GOD, Who hast taught us in Thy holy Word, that there is a difference between the spirit of a beast that goeth downwards to the earth, and the spirit of a man which ascendeth up to God Who gave it; and likewise by the example of Thy holy servants, in all ages, hast taught us to assign peculiar places where the bodies of Thy saints may rest in peace, and be preserved from all indignities, whilst their souls are safely kept in the hands of their faithful Redeemer: Accept, we beseech Thee, this charitable work of ours, in separating this portion of land to that good purpose; and give us grace, that by the frequent instances of mortality which we behold, we may learn, and seriously consider, how frail and uncertain our condition here on earth is, and so number our days as to apply our hearts unto wisdom; that in the midst of life thinking upon death, and daily preparing ourselves for the judgment that is to follow, we may have our part in the resurrection to eternal life, with Him Who died for our sins, and rose again for our justification, and now liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make His face to shine upon us, and be gracious unto us. The Lord lift up His countenance upon us, and give us peace both now and evermore. *Amen.*

THE FORM

OF

Consecration of a Churchyard,

OR PLACE OF BURIAL,

SINGLY.

¶ The Deed of Conveyance or Donation of the Ground, together with such other Documents as shall in any case be requisite, shall be laid before the Bishop or his Chancellor some time before the day appointed.

¶ The Bishop shall be received at the entrance of the Church or Churchyard by the Minister and Clergy in their Surplices, the Churchwardens, and some of the principal Inhabitants, where a Petition shall be presented to him, praying that he will consecrate a portion of land for a Burial Place. To which the Bishop shall signify his consent.

¶ There shall be the ordinary Service for the day at the Church except where it is otherwise ordered

Proper Psalms, xxxix., xc.

First Lesson, Genesis xxiii.

Second Lesson, John v. 21 to 30; or 1 Thess. iv. 13.

¶ When the service in the Church is ended, the same form is to be observed, as when the Churchyard is consecrated together with the Church.

THE FORM

OF

Consecration of a Burial Ground

AND

Cemetery Chapel.

¶ The Deed of Conveyance or Donation of the Ground, together with such other Documents as shall in any case be requisite, shall be laid before the Bishop or his Chancellor some time before the day appointed.

¶ The Bishop shall be received at the entrance to the Ground by the Minister and Clergy in their Surplices, and others, where a Petition is to be presented to him, praying that he will consecrate a portion of land for a Burial Place. To which the Bishop shall signify his consent.

¶ Then the Bishop and Clergy, with the people, shall proceed round the Ground, saying or singing the 49th or 115th Psalm, or both, as at page 9.

¶ Which ended, the Bishop, Clergy, and others shall enter the Cemetery Chapel, and the Bishop standing at the North side of the Table, shall say:

DEARLY beloved in the Lord; forasmuch as devout and holy men under the Gospel, moved either by the secret inspiration of the Blessed Spirit, or by their own reason and sense of order and decency, have set apart peculiar places where the bodies of the saints of Christ might rest in peace, until the general resurrection at the last day; which pious works have been graciously accepted by our Heavenly Father; Let us not doubt but that He will favourably approve our present purpose of setting apart this place in like manner; and let us faithfully and devoutly pray for His blessing on this our undertaking, and say:

¶ Then all kneeling down, the Bishop shall say the following Prayer:

O GOD, Who hast taught us in Thy holy Word, that there is a difference between the spirit of a beast that goeth downwards to the earth, and the spirit of a man which

ascendeth up to God who gave it; and likewise by the example of Thy holy servants, in all ages, hast taught us to assign peculiar places where the bodies of Thy saints may rest in peace, and be preserved from all indignities, whilst their souls are safely kept in the hands of their faithful Redeemer: Accept, we beseech Thee, this charitable work of ours, in setting apart this Chapel and portion of land to that good purpose; and give us grace that, by the frequent instances of mortality which we behold, we may learn, and seriously consider, how frail and uncertain our condition here on earth is, and so number our days as to apply our hearts unto wisdom; that in the midst of life thinking upon death, and daily preparing ourselves for the judgment that is to follow, we may have our part in the resurrection to eternal life, with Him Who died for our sins, and rose again for our justification, and now liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ Then the Bishop shall stand up, and turning his face toward the Congregation, who continue kneeling, shall say the following Prayers:

GRANT, O Lord, that they who shall receive in this place the blessed Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ may come to that holy Ordinance with faith, charity, and true repentance, and being filled with Thy Grace and heavenly Benediction, may to their great and endless comfort, obtain remission of their sins, and all other benefits of His Passion. *Amen.*

GRANT, O Lord, that they who shall bring forth their dead into this place, may be so strengthened and comforted by Thy Grace, that they may not be sorry as men without hope for them that sleep in Thee, but may render unto Thee hearty thanks for their brethren whom it hath pleased Thee to deliver before them out of the miseries of this sinful world; and, believing in Thy Son Jesus Christ, may commit their bodies to the ground in sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

GRANT, O Lord, that they who shall here lay the bodies of Thy saints to rest, in hope of the blessed resurrection, may evermore steadfastly believe in the fellowship and communion of Thy saints, living and departed, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

GRANT, O Lord, that all who, within this place, shall call upon Thy name, may so be raised from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that they may be delivered from the bitter pains of eternal death, and have their part in the glorious resurrection of Thy saints, through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

NOW unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be honour and glory, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

¶ Then the Bishop sitting in his chair, the Sentence of Consecration shall be read by the Chancellor, and signed by the Bishop, and by him ordered to be enrolled, and preserved amongst the Muniments in the Registry.

¶ Then the Bishop, standing at the North side of the Table, shall say the Order of Holy Communion.—*See Page 7, &c.*

The EPISTLE is, 1 Cor. xv. 50 to 58, inclusive.

The GOSPEL is, St. John xi. 23 to 45, inclusive.

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ORDER OF SERVICE

FOR

Laying the Foundation Stone of a School.

¶ All things being disposed in order, the Bishop or Officiating Minister shall say:

Psalm cxlv. *Exaltabo te, Deus.*

GREAT is the Lord, and marvellous, worthy to be praised: there is no end of His greatness.

One generation shall praise Thy works unto another: and declare Thy power.

The Lord is loving unto every man: and His Mercy is over all His works.

The eyes of all wait upon Thee, O Lord: and Thou givest them their meat in due season.

The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon Him: yea, all such as call upon Him faithfully.

He will fulfil the desire of them that fear Him: He also will hear their cry, and will help them.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Let us Pray.

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings, with Thy most gracious favour, and further us with Thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in Thee, we may glorify Thy Holy Name, and finally, by Thy mercy, obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

V. Our help standeth in the Name of the Lord.

R. Who hath made heaven and earth.

V. Blessed be the Name of the Lord.

R. From this time forth for evermore.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

¶ Then shall be sung or said the following:

EXCEPT the Lord build the House: their labour is but lost that build it.

Help us O God of our Salvation: for the Glory of Thy Name.

Hear my law, O my people: incline your ears unto the words of my mouth.

I will open my mouth in a parable: I will declare hard sentences of old;

Which we have heard and known: and such as our fathers have told us;

That we should not hide them from the children of the generations to come: but to shew the honour of the Lord, His mighty and wonderful works that He hath done.

He made a covenant with Jacob, and gave Israel a law: which He commanded our forefathers to teach their children;

That their Posterity might know it: and the children which were yet unborn;

To the intent that when they came up: they might shew their children the same.

That they might put their trust in God: and not to forget the works of God, but to keep his commandments:

O that there were such an heart in them: that they would fear me and keep all my commandments always;

That it might be well with them: and with their children for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

¶ Then the first stone is to be laid by the person appointed, with these words:

IN the Faith of Jesus Christ, and in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, we lay this stone. Amen.

V. O Lord, prosper Thou the work of our hands upon us.
R. O prosper Thou our handy-work.

¶ Then may be sung:

Psalm cxix. N.V., 9, 10, 11, 12. C.M.

HOW shall the young preserve their ways
From all pollution free?
By making still their course of life
With Thy commands agree.

With hearty zeal for Thee I seek,
To Thee for succour pray:
O suffer not my careless steps
From Thy right paths to stray.

Safe in my heart, and closely hid,
Thy word, my treasure lies,
To succour me with timely aid,
When sinful thoughts arise.

Secured by that, my grateful soul
Shall ever bless Thy Name:
O teach me then by Thy just laws
My future life to frame.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God Whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore. Amen.

¶ Or,

Hymn 183, *Salisbury Hymn Book.* 6 *of* 8 7.

(This may be sung to Tantum ergo, 80 Redhead, or to 1 Troyte, Salisbury Tune Book.)

GRACIOUS Saviour, gentle Shepherd,
Little ones are dear to Thee;
Gathered with Thine arms, and carried
In Thy bosom, may they be
Sweetly, fondly, safely tended;
From all want and danger free.

Tender Shepherd, never leave them
From Thy fold to go astray;
By Thy look of love directed,
May they walk the narrow way;
Thus direct them, and protect them,
Lest they fall an easy prey.

Cleanse their hearts from sinful folly
  In the stream Thy love supplied;
Mingled streams of Blood and water
  Flowing from Thy wounded side:
And to heavenly pastures lead them,
  Where Thine own still waters glide.

Let Thy holy Word instruct them;
  Fill their minds with heavenly light;
Let Thy love and grace constrain them,
  To approve whate'er is right,
Take Thine easy yoke, and wear it,
  And to prove Thy burden light.

Taught to lisp the holy praises
  Which on earth Thy children sing,—
Both with lips and hearts unfeigned
  May they their thank-offerings bring;
Then with all the saints in glory
  Join to praise their Lord and King! Amen.

V. The Lord be with you.
R. And with Thy spirit.

¶ Then all kneeling, the Bishop or the Officiating Minister shall say:

Let us Pray.

O LORD Jesu Christ, Who upholdest all things by the word of Thy power, and in Whom the whole building of the Church fitly framed together groweth unto a holy temple in the Lord; bless these Buildings now begun in Thy name. Be Thou, we pray Thee, the beginning and the ending of this work which we now take in hand for Thy Honor and Glory, Who with the Father and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

AND that it may please Thee, O Lord our God, to pour down upon the Managers and Governors of this School, and upon those who have given of their substance for the furtherance of this good work, the abundance of Thy Grace and Heavenly Benediction,

R. We beseech Thee to hear us, Good Lord.

THAT Thou wouldest accept the service of him who has now laid this foundation stone, and ever direct and prosper him in all that he putteth his hand unto,

R. We beseech Thee to hear us, Good Lord.

THAT the Teachers of this School may with all faithful diligence labour to train the children committed to their charge in Thy faith, fear, and love,

R. We beseech thee to hear us, Good Lord.

THAT the children may through Thy blessing on their Training so use Thy gifts that, growing in wisdom as they grow in stature, they may offer unto Thee the willing service of pure hearts and holy lives,

R. We beseech thee to hear us, Good Lord.

AND finally, that Thou wouldest protect and succour all employed upon these Buildings, that the work which through Thy Mercy hath now been piously begun, may by their labours be brought to a happy end, and that they may, in body and in spirit, themselves be built up in Thee, to the honour and glory of Thy most Holy Name,

R. We beseech thee to hear us, Good Lord.

ALMIGHTY and merciful God, of Whose only gift it cometh that Thy faithful people do unto Thee true and laudable service; Grant, we beseech Thee, that we may so faithfully serve Thee in this life, that we fail not finally to attain Thy heavenly promises; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

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ORDER OF SERVICE

FOR

Opening a School.

¶ All things being disposed in order, the Bishop or Officiating Minister shall say

Psalm cxiii. *Laudate pueri.*

PRAISE the Lord, ye servants: O praise the Name of the Lord.

Blessed be the Name of the Lord: from this time forth for evermore.

The Lord's Name is praised: from the rising up of the sun unto the going down of the same.

The Lord is high above all heathen: and His glory above the heavens.

Who is like unto the Lord our God, Who hath his dwelling so high: and yet humbleth Himself to behold the things that are in heaven and earth?

He taketh up the simple out of the dust: and lifteth the poor out of the mire.

That He may set him with the princes: even with the princes of His people.

He maketh the barren woman to keep house: and to be a joyful mother of children.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

¶ Then shall be said these Prayers following, all devoutly kneeling:

The Lord be with you;
And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As

it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom. The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

¶ Then the Bishop or Officiating Minister standing up, shall say:

V. O Lord, shew Thy mercy upon us.
R. And grant us Thy salvation.
V. O Lord, save the Queen.
R. And mercifully hear us when we call upon Thee.
V. Endue Thy ministers with righteousness.
R. And make Thy chosen people joyful.
V. O Lord, save Thy people.
R. And bless Thine inheritance.
V. Give peace in our time, O Lord.
R. Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only Thou, O God.
V. O God, make clean our hearts within us.
R. And take not Thy Holy Spirit from us.

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings with Thy most gracious favour, and further us with Thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in Thee, we may glorify Thy Holy Name, and finally by Thy Mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O MOST glorious Lord God, we yield Thee humble thanks that Thou hast so far blessed this work undertaken in Thy Name, and crowned the labours of Thy servants with good success. We acknowledge that we are not worthy to offer any thing that we have made unto Thee. Yet, we beseech Thee, for Thy dear Son's sake, graciously to accept the dedication of this place, which Thou hast enabled Thy servants to build, for the training of the children of this parish in godly discipline and useful learning. Vouchsafe, O Lord, to send down Thy blessing upon it: look with favour upon us who are now met together in Thy Name: and, of Thy great mercy, grant that this work of our hands may bear fruit for many generations, to Thy glory and the edification of Thy people, through the merits of Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

R. Prosper Thou the work of our hands upon us: O prosper Thou our handy-work.

¶ Then all standing up, the Bishop or Officiating Minister shall read this Lesson :

Job xxviii. 12–28.

WHERE shall wisdom be found? and where is the place of understanding?

Man knoweth not the price thereof: neither is it found in the land of the living.

The depth saith, It is not in me: and the sea saith, It is not in me.

It cannot be gotten for gold, neither shall silver be weighed for the price thereof.

It cannot be valued with the gold of Ophir, with the precious onyx, or the sapphire.

The gold and the crystal cannot equal it: and the exchange of it shall not be for jewels of fine gold.

No mention shall be made of coral or pearls: for the price of wisdom is above rubies.

Whence then cometh wisdom? and where is the place of understanding?

Seeing it is hid from all living, and kept close from the fowls of the air.

Destruction and death say, We have heard the fame thereof with our ears.

God understandeth the way thereof; and he knoweth the place thereof.

For he looketh to the ends of the earth, and seeth under the whole heaven:

To make the weight for the winds; and he weigheth the waters by measure.

When he made a decree for the rain, and a way for the lightning of the thunder;

Then did He see it, and declare it: He prepared it, yea, and searched it out.

And unto man He said, Behold the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom; and to depart from evil is understanding.

¶ Then may be sung

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From all pollution free?
By making still their course of life
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To succour me with timely aid,
  When sinful thoughts arise.

Secured by that, my grateful soul
  Shall ever bless Thy Name:
O teach me then by Thy just laws
  My future life to frame.

Hymn 66, Salisbury Hymn Book. C.M.

ALMIGHTY God, Thy word is cast
  Like seed into the ground;
Now let the dew of heaven descend,
  And plenteous fruits abound.

Let not the foe of Christ and man
  This holy seed remove;
But give it root in every heart,
  To bring forth fruits of love.

Let not the world's deceitful cares
  The rising plant destroy;
But let it yield a hundred-fold
  The fruits of peace and joy.

Where'er the precious seed is sown,
  Thy quickening grace bestow;
That all whose souls the truth receive
  Its saving power may know.

To God the Father, God the Son,
  And God the Holy Ghost,
All honour by the Church be done,
  And by the heavenly host. *Amen.*

¶ Then all kneeling, the Bishop or the Officiating Minister shall say

Let us pray.

V. Lord, hear our prayer;
R. And let our cry come unto Thee.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, by Whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified, receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before Thee for all estates of men in Thy holy Church, that every member of the same in his vocation and ministry may truly and godly serve Thee, through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

And more particularly—

FOR the Minister of this Parish, that he may ever be found waiting on his ministry, and be diligent so to frame and fashion the life both of himself and of his family according to the doctrine of Christ, as that they may be wholesome examples and patterns to the flock committed to his charge,

R. We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

FOR the Managers and Governors of this School, that they may take the oversight thereof gladly and wisely, and feel that in so doing they are offering unto Thee an acceptable service,

R. We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

FOR those who have given cheerfully of their substance to this building, that Thou wouldest remember them concerning this, and not wipe out the good deed that they have done,

R. We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

FOR all those who shall be employed to teach herein, that they may be sound in faith and unblameable in their lives, feeding their scholars with the sincere milk of the word, that they may grow thereby,

R. We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

FOR Thy children who shall here be trained, that they may daily be renewed by Thy Holy Spirit, and increase in wisdom and stature, and in favour with Thee and with man,

R. We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

FOR their parents also, that they may discern in this school a further instance of Thy great goodness towards them, and that they themselves may do their part to see their children Christianly and virtuously brought up to the praise and honour of Thy Holy Name,

R. We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

O LORD Jesu Christ, Who wast Thyself found among the doctors, both hearing and asking them questions, grant that the children of this school may ever resort to it with earnest and willing hearts, and that having been taught all things which Christians ought to know and believe to their souls' health, they may be brought to the Bishop to be confirmed by him, and being thenceforward continually refreshed by the Communion of Thy blessed Body and Blood, they may proceed from strength to strength, till they reach those heavenly mansions, where, with the Father and Holy Ghost, Thou livest and reignest, ever One God, world without end. *Amen.*

O ALMIGHTY Lord and Everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech Thee, to direct, sanctify, and govern, both our hearts and bodies in the ways of Thy laws and in the works of Thy commandments, that through Thy most mighty protection both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul, through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

THE blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be upon you, and remain with you for ever.

AMEN.

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